BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2003-267-C - ORDER NO. 2006-400

JULY 3, 2006

IN RE:	Application of Utilities Commission, New Smyrna Beach d/b/a Sparks Communications for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Interexchange and Local Exchange Telecommunications Services and for))))	ORDER CANCELLING CERTIFICATE
	Exchange Telecommunications Services and for Alternative Regulation and for Flexible)	
	Regulation.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) on the request of Utilities Commission, New Smyrna Beach d/b/a Sparks Communications (New Smyrna or the Company) to cancel the Company's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Certificate) to provide resold local exchange and intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in South Carolina. A review of the Commission's records reveals that the Commission granted New Smyrna authority to provide telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina by Order No. 2004-2, dated January 7, 2004. Thereafter, by Order No. 2005-435, the Commission approved a modification to the Company's name by a change in the Company's "doing business as" (d/b/a) name to its present name of Utilities Commission, New Smyrna Beach d/b/a New Smyrna Communications.

New Smyrna, by letter from the Company's General Manager/CEO filed with the Commission on June 8, 2006, New Smyrna requests cancellation of the Company's Certificate effective August 1, 2006. Due to continuing business challenges, New Smyrna

states that the Company will cease providing telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina upon receipt of all required state and federal approvals. New Smyrna attaches to its request a copy of the Company's "Notice of Communications Service Discontinuance", and New Smyrna states that the notice was sent to all current South Carolina customers between May 30, 2006, and June 1, 2006. Additionally, New Smyrna asserts that the Company will work with its customers to facilitate the transition to new carriers.

As New Smyrna will not be providing the services for which the Company's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was granted, the Commission finds and concludes that New Smyrna's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide telecommunications services in South Carolina should be cancelled.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold local exchange and intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in South Carolina authorized by Order No. 2004-2, dated January 7, 2004, issued to Utilities Commission, New Smyrna Beach d/b/a Sparks Communications (n/k/a Utilities Commission, New Smyrna Beach d/b/a New Smyrna Communications, Order No. 2005-435, August 18, 2005) is hereby cancelled.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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